

REMARKS

By virtue of this amendment, Claims 32-43 are cancelled without prejudice. Claim 16 is amended. Following the entry of the amendment, claims 15, 18-25, 27 and 29-31 are pending for further consideration. Applicants submit that no new matter is added.

Rejections under 35 USC 102

Claims 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24 and 25 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Hcaplus 1976:30139.

Claim 15 was rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Hcaplus 1970:487744.

Claim 15 was rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Hcaplus 1974:425336.

Claims 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25 and 27 were rejected under 102(b) as being anticipated by Kleb, Angew. Chem. Internet. Edit, Vol 7, (1968), No. 4.

By this amendment, claim 18 is amended to exclude those compounds disclosed in Hcaplus 1976:30139, Hcaplus 1970:487744, Kleb, and relied upon by the Office Action in making the rejections. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections as applied to claim 18 and the claims depending

therefrom, namely, claims 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25 and 27 are overcome.

Claim 15 is directed to a pharmaceutical composition containing a compound as defined in Formula I. All of the cited references disclose compounds and their methods of synthesis with no disclosure of any particular use for those compounds. Since none of the cited references relate to pharmaceutical compositions, nor disclose that the various compounds may be used in the medicinal field, it is respectfully submitted that claim 15 is not anticipated, or rendered obvious by any of the cited references. Accordingly, the rejection as applied to claim 15 is untenable and should be withdrawn.

Claim objections

Claims 23, 29, 30, and 31 are objected to because they are based on a rejected claim, namely claim 18.

As discussed above in detail in the context of 102 rejections, the rejection to claim 18 is overcome by claim amendments. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the objections applied to claims 23, 29, 30 and 31 are overcome.

In view of the above, it is believed that the instant claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, an early receipt of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

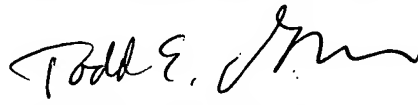
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If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney.

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Respectfully submitted,

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